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**Adaptability of "Seal Peel" as a Barrier Agent in Burial**

REF: [ ] dated 26 September 1953, and enclosed Memorandum dated 1 September 1953.

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1. This office agrees with the comments given in the referenced memorandum on strippable protective compounds. We have never encouraged the use of cold formulas for use as barrier agents in burial. There is a slight concern on our part over the use of the trade name "Seal Peel" as an all-inclusive name to cover Strippable Protective Compounds (Hot-Dipping). There are numerous manufacturers on the Qualified Products List to produce Type II Compounds conforming to Specification JAN-C-149.

2. There is no concrete evidence yet that cellulose-acetate butyrate formulation, strippable protective compounds are subject to deterioration or spore penetration during burial. However, when an object has been improperly dipped, such that its surface is not completely covered at all points, penetration by the elements results during burial causing the compound to discolor and appear to have deteriorated. When this discoloration results it should not be construed that properly protected items will not withstand burial.

3. Please keep us informed of your results using Strippable Protective Compounds.

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Distributions:

Orig & 2 - Addressee

1 - FE

1 - RI

1 - TSS/Registry

1 - MD Burial Packaging

1 - MD Chrono

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1 - Atsugi  
1 - TSS/ROS  
1 - Command

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